

REMARKS

After entry of this amendment, Claims 1 and 16-24 are pending in the above-referenced application. Claims 10 and 11 were previously canceled. Claims 2-9, and 11-15 have been canceled without prejudice to future prosecution. New claims 16-24 have been added. New claims 16-24 find support in the specification and claims as originally filed (*see, e.g.*, claims 2-9, page 2, line 36 to page 4, line 21 and page 10, line 11 to page 17, line 6). Thus, no new matter is added by claims 16-24.

The claims were subjected to a restriction requirement. In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group I, drawn to method of screening a compound for an ability to induce apoptosis.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5000.

Respectfully submitted,



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